DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL SERVICES

744 P Street, Sacramento, CA 95814

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ALL-COUNTY LETTER NO. 83-127

TO: ALL COUNTY WELFARE DIRECTORS

SUBJECT: CHARACTERISTICS SURVEY OF STATE-ONLY AFDC-U AND EA-UP FAMILIES

REFERENCE:

The Legislature, in supplemental language to the 1983 Budget Act, required the Department of Social Services to submit a data collection plan for the portions of the AFDC population that receive assistance beyond the minimum required by federal law. The plan developed by DSS includes a characteristic survey of State-only AFDC-Unemployed (U) families. Those families receiving Emergency Assistance-Unemployed Parent (EA-UP) benefits will also be included in this survey because of the interaction between the two programs.

This survey will replace the January 1984 AFDC quarterly characteristic survey. It will be a 100 percent case review of active State-only AFDC-U and EA-UP families receiving a cash grant in the study month; an estimated 1300 cases statewide.

During the first week in January, your county will receive the questionnaires and instructions for completing the survey. The format will be the same as the quarterly.

We will be using the AFDC quarterly survey liaison as our contact person. If there has been a change in your liaison since the last quarterly, or if you wish to designate a different person, please contact Shirley Opie, Statistical Services Branch, (916) 323-2335 or (ATSS) 473-2335.

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